## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 88-220-G & 89-372-G - ORDER NO. 89-1135

## **DECEMBER 13, 1989**

IN RE: South Carolina Pipeline Corporation - )
Petition for Immediate Rate Reduction )
or Establishment of New Docket to )
Reduce Rates )

and ) ORDER GRANTING
and ) PETITION TO )
INTERVENE
South Carolina Pipeline Corporation - )
Application for a Rate Increase and )
Adjustments in its Gas Rate Schedules )
and Tariffs

On November 17, 1989, the City of Orangeburg filed a Petition to Intervene Out of Time in the above-captioned matter. The Petition states that the issues raised in the above-captioned dockets are of direct concern to the City of Orangeburg, its citizens and inhabinents and its gas utility customers. The City of Orangeburg states that it would not occasion any delay or prejudice to any party for this Petition to be considered and granted despite being out of time.

The reason that the Petition is filed out of time is that the City of Orangeburg is a member of a "Customer Intervention Group" that was formed under the leadership of Piedmont Natural Gas Company in response to the above captioned dockets. The City of Orangeburg did not believe at the time that it was necessary to separately intervene. However, due to Piedmont's recent withdrawal

from these dockets, the City of Orangeburg believes that it needs to intervene out of time in order to protect its interests.

The Commission finds that the Petition to Intervene Out of Time should be granted on the condition that its intervention does not delay the hearing.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman H. Phane

ATTEST:

Executive Director

(SEAL)